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As you are probably aware, three elevators were shut down on the high rise side of the building late this morning. Elevators #7, #8 and #9 were shut down for inspection by DGS and its consultants, including a structural engineer, an architect, the elevator company and CalOsha.

DGS reports that a cable strand in elevator #9 frayed and caused friction against the cement surrounding the elevator shaft causing some cement debris to hit the elevator cars and exit through the shaft surrounding the cars. This is a preliminary finding and the situation is being investigated further. Elevator car #9 will be out of service until the investigation is completed and repaired. DGS reports car #9 will be out of operation for at least two weeks.

Elevator cars #7 and #8 have been inspected and have been deemed safe by DGS and its consultants. They are being reopened for use.

Obviously, elevator wait times have increased. Thank you for your patience during this time.

I ask that you report any elevator abnormalities that you may notice. The best way to make a report is through the Building Assessment webpage Report a Leak/Event form.

I will keep you informed as more information becomes available.